

In his book of *al-Kalim al-Ṭayyib*, Sayyid `Alī Khān says, “The following is a form of seeking aid from The Argument of Allah and the Patron of the Age (Imam al-Mahdī)—peace be upon him: Wherever you are, you may offer a two-unit prayer, reading *Sūrah al-Fātiḥah* and any other one in each unit. Yet, it is advisable to read *Sūrah al-Faṭḥ* (No. 48) in the first unit and *Sūrah al-Naṣr* (No. 110) in the second. You may then stand up, facing the kiblāh direction under the sky and then say the following:

Peace of Allah—perfect, complete,

comprehensive, and thorough; and His endless benedictions

and His everlasting, perfect blessings be upon the Argument of Allah

His representative in His lands and realm

His viceroy among His creatures and servants, the offspring of Prophet hood,

the completion of the (Holy) Progeny and the Choice Ones, the Patron of the Age,

the demonstrator of the (true) faith, the teacher of the laws of the Qur'an,

the purger of the earth, the spreader of justice all over the earth,

the Argument (al-Hujjah), the Riser (al-Qaem), the Well-guided (al-Mahdi), the Leader, the Awaited, the Pleased,

the descendant of the Infallible Imams,

the Successor, the son of the Pleased Successors (of the Prophets), the Guide, the Immaculate,

and the son of the Imams—the guides and immaculate.

Peace be upon you, O grantor of dignity to the oppressed and faithful ones.

Peace be upon you, O humiliator of the arrogant and oppressing unbelievers.

Peace be upon you, O my master, the Patron of the Age.

Peace be upon you, O son of Allah's Messenger.

Peace be upon you, O son of the Commander of the Believers.

Peace be upon you, O son of Fatimah the Luminous

and the Doyenne of the women of the world.

Peace be upon you, O son of the Imams—the arguments (of Allah) and Immaculate

and the leader of all creatures.

سَلَامُ اللَّهِ الْكَامِلُ التَّامُّ

الشَّامِلُ الْعَامُّ وَصَلَوَاتُهُ الدَّائِمَةُ

وَبَرَكَاتُهُ الْقَائِمَةُ التَّامَّةُ عَلَى حُجَّةِ اللَّهِ

وَوَلِيِّهِ فِي أَرْضِهِ وَبِلَادِهِ

وَخَلِيفَتِهِ عَلَى خَلْقِهِ وَعِبَادِهِ وَسُلَالَةِ النَّبُوَّةِ

وَبَقِيَّةِ الْعِتْرَةِ وَالصَّفْوَةِ صَاحِبِ الزَّمَانِ

وَمُظْهِرِ الْإِيمَانِ وَمُلقِّنِ أَحْكَامِ الْقُرْآنِ

وَمُطَهِّرِ الْأَرْضِ وَنَاشِرِ الْعَدْلِ فِي الطُّولِ وَالْعَرْضِ

وَالْحُجَّةِ الْقَائِمِ الْمَهْدِيِّ الْإِمَامِ الْمُنْتَظَرِ الْمَرْضِيِّ

وَأَبْنِ الْأَئِمَّةِ الطَّاهِرِينَ

الْوَصِيِّ ابْنِ الْأَوْصِيَاءِ الْمَرْضِيِّينَ الْهَادِي الْمَعْصُومِ

أَبْنِ الْأَئِمَّةِ الْهَدَاةِ الْمَعْصُومِينَ

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا مُعِزَّ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ الْمُسْتَظْعَفِينَ

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا مُذِلَّ الْكَافِرِينَ الْمُتَكَبِّرِينَ الظَّالِمِينَ

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا مَوْلَايَ يَا صَاحِبَ الزَّمَانِ

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ فَاطِمَةَ الزَّهْرَاءِ سَيِّدَةِ نِسَاءِ الْعَالَمِينَ

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا بَنَ الْأَئِمَّةِ الْحُجَجِ الْمَعْصُومِينَ

وَالْإِمَامِ عَلَى الْخَلْقِ أَجْمَعِينَ

Peace be upon you, O my master

addressed by him who is loyal to your
(divinely commissioned) leadership.

I bear witness that you are the well-guided
Imam in word and deed,

it is you who shall fill the earth with justice
and impartiality

after it will be filled with wrong and partiality.

So, may Allah hasten your reappearance
make easy your advent,,
make nearer the time of your coming,
increase the number of your supporters and
backers,

and fulfill for you all that which He has
promised you.

He is surely the most truthful of all those
who can speak (and He has said):

"We desired to bestow a favor upon those
who were deemed weak in the land,

make them the Imams, and make them the
heirs."

O my master! O Patron of the Age! O son of
Allah's Messenger!

My request is...

اَلسَّلَامُ عَلَیْكَ يَا مَوْلَايَ

سَلَامٌ مُّخْلِصٍ لِّكَ فِي اَلْوِلَايَةِ

اَشْهَدُ اَنَّكَ اَلْاِمَامُ اَلْمَهْدِيُّ قَوْلًا وَفِعْلًا

وَانتَ الَّذِي تَمَلَّا اَلْاَرْضَ قِسْطًا وَعَدْلًا

بَعْدَ مَا مِلَّتْ ظُلُمًا وَجَوْرًا

فَعَجَّلَ اَللّٰهُ فَرَجَكَ وَسَهَّلَ مَخْرَجَكَ

وَقَرَّبَ زَمَانَكَ وَكَثَّرَ اَنْصَارَكَ وَاَعْوَانَكَ

وَاَنْجَزَ لَكَ مَا وَعَدَكَ

فَهُوَ اَصْدَقُ اَلْقَائِلِينَ:

(وَتُرِيدُ اَنْ نَمُنَّ عَلٰی الَّذِيْنَ اَسْتَضَعُّوْا فِي الْاَرْضِ

وَتَجْعَلُهُمْ اِئِمَّةً وَتَجْعَلَهُمُ الْوَارِثِينَ)

يَا مَوْلَايَ يَا صَاحِبَ الزَّمَانِ يَا بْنَ رَسُوْلِ اَللّٰهِ

حَاجَتِي ...

Mention your need and then go on saying:

So, intercede for me so that it will be settled,

for I am turning my face towards you for settling my
request,

since I know for sure that you enjoy with Allah admissible
word of intercession,

and praiseworthy standing.

So, I ask you in the name of Him Who granted you (i.e. the
Ahl al-Bayt) exclusively the right of representing Him,

and admitted you all to keep His secrets,

and I ask you in the name of the standing that you
exclusively enjoy with Allah,

to ask Allah, the Exalted, to render successful my request,

to answer my prayer,

and to relieve my grief.

فَاشْفَعْ لِي فِي نَجَاحِهَا

فَقَدْ تَوَجَّهْتُ اِلَيْكَ بِحَاجَتِي

لِعِلْمِي اَنَّ لَكَ عِنْدَ اَللّٰهِ شَفَاعَةً مَّقْبُولَةً

وَمَقَامًا مَّحْمُودًا

فَبِحَقِّ مَنْ اَخْتَصَّكُمْ بِاَمْرِهِ

وَاَرْتَضَاكُمْ لِسِرِّهِ

وَبِالْشَّانِ الَّذِي لَكُمْ عِنْدَ اَللّٰهِ بَيْنَكُمْ وَبَيْنَهُ

سَلِ اَللّٰهُ تَعَالٰی فِي نَجْحِ طَلِبَتِي

وَاجَابَةِ دَعْوَتِي

وَكَشْفِ كُرْبَتِي

You may then ask for whatever you want, and it will be settled for you, by Allah's permission.